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April 16, 2008

To: Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, Chair
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From: William T Fujioka
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. T. Fujioka", is written over the printed name and title.

SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Status of County Advocacy Legislation

County-opposed SB 1771 (Romero), as amended on April 10, 2008, which would extend the life of City of Industry Redevelopment Projects by ten years without a finding of blight, was not considered by the Senate Local Government Committee (Committee) on April 16, 2008. SB 1771 can be taken up by the Committee at a later date. However, after May 2, 2008, such a hearing would require a rule waiver. The next scheduled hearing date for the Committee is May 7, 2008. Our Sacramento advocates were joined by the California State Association of Counties, the County of Santa Clara, the California Professional Firefighters and the Western Center on Law and Poverty in planned opposition to the bill.

Current law allows for the 10-year extension of a project with findings that significant blight remains in the project area. Lacking remaining blight, the City is unable to use current law to extend their projects. SB 1771 eliminates the requirement that an agency show remaining blight in order to extend a project.

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The passage of SB 1771 would result in losses of \$405 million to the County General Fund and \$142 million to the County Consolidated Fire Protection District over the ten-year period of the proposed extension.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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